Mr. H. K. Madaiya.—

Why not promote non-Brahmin officials with sufficient experience as well as the required qualifications even though they may not be in the grade?

General Secretary to Government.—

Being a promotion vacancy, such a course is not possible.

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Q.—10. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Is it a fact that the District Board have sanctioned funds for the construction of a causeway across Tuppadamadu-halla in Nagamangala Taluk and entrusted the work to the Engineering Department?

(*b*) Who is the contractor?

(*c*) When was the final bill prepared on the completion of this work?

(*d*) Is it a fact that this causeway was washed off? If so, when?

(*e*) Was this matter brought to the notice of the Government and the Chief Engineer by the local people?

(*f*) Is it a fact that the work washed off, caused by the flood, has been slightly repaired?

(*g*) If so, which department prepared the estimate and paid for the work, or did the contractor do it?

(*h*) Was the work carried out in accordance with the original sanctioned estimate and in conformity with the bill paid?

(*i*) Is not this contractor now a contractor in the Public Works Department?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

A.—10. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mr. P. Nanjundaiya.

(*c*) 9th December 1930.

(*d*) In November 1932, it sustained minor damages.

(*e*) To the notice of the Chief Engineer.

(*f*) The minor damages have been repaired.

(*g*) The contractor made good the damages at his cost.

(*h*) Yes, in accordance with the sanctioned modified estimate.

(*i*) Yes.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Even though the causeway referred to was washed away two years after its construction, why was the contractor compelled to repair the work at his own cost?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

He agreed to do it at his own cost.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Is there a binding clause in the agreement to the effect that in case a work is washed away, the contractor himself should make good the damage at his own cost? If so, have Government enforced such condition in all cases? If not, what is the reason for insisting that this contractor should do the work?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

I cannot give any reasons as to why he agreed to do the work.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Could it be that the work done in the first instance was bad?

First Member of Council.—

You may infer so.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

With reference to answer to (*h*), are the Government quite certain that the work carried out was in accordance with the sanctioned modified estimate and in conformity with the bill paid?

Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.—

The Superintending Engineer and the Executive Engineer are both of that opinion.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

It is not so. Will the Government verify it?

First Member of Council.—

We will have it verified again.

Mr. K. M. Krishnappa Gowda.—

Since the District Board funds have been spent on the work and the work is not in accordance with the estimate and in conformity with the bill paid, will the Government agree to a joint inspection by the Engineering officer and the President of the Board?

First Member of Council.—

If a proposal to that effect is sent up by the District Board, it will be considered.

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